FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE HONG KONG BUREAU

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT: Monthly Report--Hong Kong Bureau--April 1987

I. GENERAL

Sir David Wilson arrived in Hong Kong on 9 April to take up his post as the 27th Governor. He replaces Sir Edward Youde who died in Beijing on 5 December. The new governor, a noted sinologist and former Assistant Under-Secretary for Asian Affairs in the Foreign Office, is expected to play a leading role in the transition of British sovereignty over Hong Kong to the PRC.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

- l. PRC leader Deng Xiaoping's remarks to members of the Basic Law Drafting Committee on 16 April regarding the future of Hong Kong, and the ensuing reaction, generated a substantial amount of debate in the territory. The bureau filed several versions of his comments which also included references to the Taiwan issue.
- 2. An 18 April mutiny by rebel Philippine soldiers, who attempted to free imprisoned colleagues at Fort Bonifacio army headquarters, was quickly crushed by government forces. Only one Philippine radio was monitorable at the time but did not carry any reports about the incident, forcing the bureau to rely on secondary forces. As with past crises, the lack of reliable radio reception vividly demonstrated the bureau's vulnerablility in covering fast-breaking events from this crisis-prone country.
- 3. In response to the upcoming 11 May Philippine national elections, the bureau filed a number of items and editorial reports containing senatorial and congressional lists including updates on candidate disqualifications. Washington consumers expressed their thanks for the reporting.
- 4. The bureau's shared processing of HONGQI with Okinawa bueau, beginning with issue No. 7, started this month. Two batches of articles translated by the bureau's contract translators were faxed to Okinawa for editing and transmission. The arrangement is part of a package of Focus Committee recommendations to ease the bureau's editorial workload.

5. The bureau began forwarding to Bangkok Bureau this month backstop copies of the Vietnamese newspapers NHAN DAN and QUAN DOI NHAN DAN. The backstop subscriptions were begun following a short-term delivery problem experienced by Bangkok Bureau in February.

B. Technical

- l. The bureau's effort to reposition its microwave link with the antenna field moved a step forward with verbal approval by the Frequency Management and Environmental sections of the General Post Office.
 - 2. Equipment received during the month:
 - 1 Carroll Touch Line Tester, MDL 232LT, S/N 00419

III. ADMINSTRATION

A. Personnel

- 1. Chinese monitor EOD'ed on 13 April filling one of two vacancies. The applicant for the other Chinese monitor vacancy is in the final stages of processing with expected EOD date at the end of May.
- 2. A replacement for the bureau's American secretary who will be returning PCS to the States this summer has been identified and placed in processing.
- 3. The bureau's family grew by one when Chinese monitor became parents of a son during the STAT month.

B. Building and Grounds

- l. Several bureau projects in preparation for FBA-1 were completed during the month. The installation of a separate electrical circuit for the PC's and LAN network was completed. Rewiring and carpentry work to reconfigure the editorial room so that it can accomdate the FBA-1 PC's was also completed.
 - 2. New carpeting was laid on the 14th Floor.
- 3. Rewiring of the New Philippine Monitor's Room was completed during the month. The Philippine unit is scheduled to move on 7 May, which will free the old Philippine Room for use as a FBA-1 training room and storage for FBA-1 equipment.

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2. Okinawa Bureau Chief Editor TDY'd at the bureau 24 April.	and his	wife STAT
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HONG KONG BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR APRIL 1987

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